

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

**ABSTRACT**

Forest Department - Diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in Compartment No.456 of Basavapalli Extension Reserve Forest in Chittoor East Wild Life Management Division in Chittoor District, for extraction of Black Granite, in favour of M/s. Sai Sonu Granites, Proprietor: Sri V.Parthasarathi Naidu - Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

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**ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O Ms. No. 80**

**Dated: 24 -09-2013.**

**Read the following:-**

1. From PCCF, AP, Lr Rc. No. 62513/2007/F2, Dt. 2-06-2012& 22-11-2012
2. State Govt. Lr.No.3972/For.I (1)/2012, Dated:29-11-2012
3. From GOI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APB916/2012-BAN/3065, Dt:16-3-2013.
4. State Govt. Lr.No.3972/For.I (1)/2012, Dated: 5-8-2013.
5. From GOI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APB916/2012-BAN/ 4125, Dt:6-9-2013

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**ORDER:**

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letter 1<sup>st</sup> read above, has submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in Compartment No.456 of Basavapalli Extension Reserve Forest in Chittoor East Wild Life Management Division in Chittoor District, for extraction of Black Granite, in favour of M/s. Sai Sonu Granites, Proprietor: Sri V.Parthasarathi Naidu and requested to forward the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for according necessary approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above.

3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, vide their letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, have accorded their approval in-principle (Stage.I) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the proposal, for a period of 10 years, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

4. The State Government vide letter 4<sup>th</sup> read above, have furnished compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, while according in-principle (Stage.I) approval.

5. Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, in their letter 5<sup>th</sup> read above, have accorded their approval (Stage.II) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in Compartment No.456 of Basavapalli Extension Reserve Forest in Chittoor East Wild Life Management Division in Chittoor District, for extraction of Black Granite, in favour of M/s. Sai Sonu Granites, Proprietor: Sri V.Parthasarathi Naidu, for a period of 10 years, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

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6. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, for diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in Compartment No.456 of Basavapalli Extension Reserve Forest in Chittoor East Wild Life Management Division in Chittoor District, for extraction of Black Granite, in favour of M/s. Sai Sonu Granites, Proprietor: Sri V.Parthasarathi Naidu, for a period of 10 years, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) The demarcation of the forest area proposed for diversion shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.
- (iii) The Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 5.54 ha. of identified non-forest land in Sy. Nos. 237/1A, 237/2, 237/3, 253/2B, 253/2C, 253/2D and 259/2 in Basavapalli Village, Gudipala Mandal, Chittoor District at the cost of User Agency.
- (iv) Non-forest land for Compensatory Afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF / PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act and Nodal Officer (FC) shall report the compliance within 6 months.
- (v) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency.
- (vi) The State Government shall maintain area upto 7.5 meters as safety zone area all along the boundary outside the lease area as per the guidelines issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The State Government shall also raise and maintain the plantation over an area, one and half times of the extent of the safety zone in degraded forest land elsewhere at the project cost.
- (vii) Protection and development of about 100 ha. area in the block will be taken up by the Forest Department as per the plan approved by the DFO, at the cost of User Agency.
- (viii) User Agency shall obtain environmental clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.
- (ix) The mining shall be done as per the mining plan approved by IBM and in strict compliance of all relevant acts and rules.
- (x) Soil conservation measures shall be taken up at the cost of User Agency.
- (xi) The forest area shall be used for the purpose of mining, storage of materials and OB dumps only. No permanent buildings or labour sheds should be constructed in the leased area.
- (xii) Reclamation plan shall be implemented by User Agency from the very first year of mining and an annual report shall be sent to the Nodal Officer Andhra Pradesh and the Regional Office, Bangalore.

- (xiii) The consent of Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board (APPCB) shall be obtained under Air and Water Act before commencement of mining operation.
- (xiv) DGPS maps of the area proposed for diversion and non-forest land proposed for Compensatory Afforestation shall be furnished before transfer of forest land to User Agency.
- (xv) A comprehensive monitoring shall be done at the end of five years to study the impact of mining. If it is found that the lessee has violated or is not complying with the stipulated conditions, then the approval given under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall be revoked.
- (xvi) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 4.90 ha. In case the land is not taken over by User Agency or the same is not used for the stipulated purpose within a period of two (2) years from the date of Stage-II clearance, then the area shall be taken back by the Forest Department.
- (xvii) Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore / State Government may impose from time to time for protection, improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area and public convenience, shall also be applicable.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is directed to take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M. SAMUEL,  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

**Copy to:**

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M/s. Sai Sonu Granites, Proprietor: Sri V.Parthasarathi Naidu  
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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER